

**Answers to Questions from the ITPC Statewide and Regional Grant Request for Applications.**

**Q:** Can an organization request funding for two years?

**A:** The terms of the funding period for the Statewide and Regional Grant Program is from June 1, 2004 to May 30, 2005. Due to funding cuts we cannot extend the grant program beyond this term.

**Q:** We have discussed putting some of our organization's tobacco cessation programming elements in as part of our grant request. Would this be a benefit if our organization included another non-profit organization to implement some of these initiatives or would it be a deterrent?

**A:** ITPC strongly encourages collaboration and partnerships at all levels.

**Q:** How would you prefer we submit the grant request? Should a copy be bound in a three-ring binder, paperclip, or spiral bound or does ITPC prefer a different format?

**A:** Any format is acceptable. However, you must provide an original and 12 copies.

**Q:** Is there a maximum amount of funding an applicant can request?

**A:** Maximum funding levels have not been set for individual awards. The requested funding should reflect the proposed program and the organization. The program should reflect "best value" for the amount requested. The ITPC Executive Board approved \$1,250,000 for this grant program. It is highly unlikely that the Review Committee or ITPC Executive Board will award the full amount to only one or two recipients.

**Q:** Can you give me any insight to whether ITPC is interested in our organization continuing to do what it does.....or stepping into a different role?

**A:** ITPC cannot advise organizations about proposed program specifics during the application process.

**Proposals should address the following:**

**-Initiate or expand programs that directly address ITPC's Mission Statement and 2005 Objectives;**

**-Propose evidence-based strategies and realistic outcomes;**

**-Support and advance local community and/or minority-based partnership grants funded through ITPC;**

**-Consider the Healthy People 2010 risk reduction objectives with regard to tobacco use (<http://www.health.gov/healthypeople/default.htm>);**

**-Incorporate the CDC's Best Practices for Comprehensive Tobacco Control Programs (<http://www.cdc.gov/tobacco/bestprac.htm>);**

**-Use the CDC's Guide to Community Preventive Services for Tobacco Use Prevention and Control as a basis for recommendations for tobacco control interventions that have been recommended based on evidences of effectiveness found through a systematic review; <http://www.cdc.gov/tobacco/comguide.htm>**

**-Target specific populations identified in Indiana Code 4-12-4.**

**Q: Can current Community or Minority grantees apply for funding through the Statewide Program?**

**A: Yes, as long as their programs are statewide and do not only focus on the county they reside in.**